

# 2021 Student SIG Officers

#### Chair: Imani Coles

Hello! My name is Imani Coles, and my pronouns are she/her/hers. I am a second year Student Physical Therapist (SPT) at Temple University with the privilege of serving as your 2021 Student SIG Chair. I am passionate about serving the underserved and addressing not only inequalities but also inequities in our healthcare system. I am just as passionate about motivating fellow students to get involved with all that the APTA has to offer! At Temple, I combine my passions by serving as the Clinic Coordinator for our pro bono PT clinic and chairing our DPT Student Association's Professional Development Committee. Outside of Temple, attending the 2020 APTA Combined Sections Meeting (CSM) was the gateway to me joining the American Academy of Physical Therapy (AAPT) and actively developing the PA Chapter of the National Association of Black Physical Therapists (NABPT). My involvement with APTA PA leadership began when I joined the Minority Affairs Committee (MAC) as a first year SPT, for I instantly found my niche. As the Student SIG Chair, I aim to foster a community where all PTA and PT students feel welcomed, valued, and supported in their journey to becoming the future leaders of our profession.

### Vice Chair: Kayla Brennan

Hello, my name is Kayla Brennan. I am from DuBois, PA and attended the accelerated Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Saint Francis University. I am in my third year of the graduate program where I get to put my knowledge and passion for caring for others into action in the clinic. I competed for four year as a Division I collegiate cross country and track and field athlete. I am excited to serve as the Vice-Chair of the APTA PA SSIG, capturing opportunities to connect with others who desire to promote the profession of physical therapy.

### **Secretary: Erin Kingham**

Hi, my name is Erin Kingham, and I am currently a 3rd year DPT student at Lebanon Valley College. This is my first year as secretary of the SSIG of the APTA PA. Previously I have been involved in the APTA PA as a student observer to the board. I love being involved with the APTA PA as I have learned so much about what this organization does for us as PTs and PTAs. I am originally from New Jersey but have lived in PA for the past 8 years. Outside of school, I enjoy swimming, cooking, and crafting.

# Advocacy Chair: Colin McLaughlin

Hi fellow SPTs and SPTAs! My name is Colin McLaughlin, and I am currently in my 3rd year of the DeSales University DPT program. I will be serving our Student SIG as the Advocacy Chair for 2021. We as students have the opportunity to have a strong and powerful voice in advocating for our profession, and future patients. My goal is to increase awareness and involvement from students in this area, and provide you with the tools to make your voice heard. I will also be serving as the Pennsylvania Core Ambassador this year for the APTA Student Assembly. In my free time, I enjoy watching Philadelphia sports and being outside, especially near the beach. I also have a black lab puppy named Mac who's my best buddy. I look forward to connecting with my fellow students, and serving you as the Advocacy Chair this year! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns!

PTA Representative: THIS COULD BE YOU! Email aptapassig@gmail.com for further details

# **Eastern District Representative: Lindsey Zulkosky**

My name is Lindsey Zulkosky and I am in my second year of DPT school at Lebanon Valley College. This is my first year as the Eastern District Representative and I am looking forward to planning social and service events for students and professionals in PA. I am originally from Lancaster County, PA. In the future I would love to have a career in pelvic health or inpatient physical therapy.

# **Western District Representative: Rachel Parshall**

Hello! My name is Rachel Parshall and I am in the fourth year of my 3+3 DPT program at Duquesne University! I will be serving as Western District Representative for the first time this year. My classmates and I are in the early stages of the professional phase, and this is a wonderful time to get involved with our peers and other students across Pennsylvania in APTA! I am so excited to help plan events and reach out to PT and PTA students to increase involvement in this wonderful organization. We will work as a team in our careers, and these service opportunities and gatherings are a wonderful way to start making these connections! Outside of school, I enjoy skiing, hiking, and watching sports teams of Pittsburgh and Baltimore. I would love to work with athletes, geriatric patients, or do home health physical therapy!

### **Central District Representative: Daniel Codrington**

Hello! My name is Daniel Codrington. I was born and raised in Bloomfield, Connecticut. I'm a second year DPT student at Messiah University and will be serving as your Central District Representative (CDR) for 2021. I have been involved with APTA PA as the Southcentral District Student Liaison since 2020, and I am eager to expand my reach to the entire Central District Region. I am looking forward to connecting with other PT and PTA students in Pennsylvania. This is my first year on the Student SIG, and I am grateful for this opportunity. The APTA PA is a great way to get involved and contribute to the advancement of physical therapy. As the CDR, I hope to find fun and interactive ways to connect students in Pennsylvania. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or suggestions.